SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 97 By Rochelle

A RESOLUTION to honor Rebecca Baker, 1997 Salutatorian of Gordonsville High School.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this General Assembly honor those individuals who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment have achieved excellence in their academic careers; and

WHEREAS, Rebecca Baker is one such outstanding student who has distinguished herself as Salutatorian of the 1997 class at Gordonsville High School; and

WHEREAS, through long hours of diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and untiring commitment of time and talent, Rebecca has achieved extraordinary academic success, and has joined the ranks of the elite students of Tennessee and our nation; and

WHEREAS, in her laudable high school career, she has earned an exceptional grade point average; and

WHEREAS, Rebecca's display of intellectual prowess and inner drive surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, her lengthy list of school activities is also very impressive, including membership in the Drama Club, the Spanish Club, the Math and Science Club and the Environmental Club and working on the *Tiger Times* newspaper for four years, serving as coeditor her junior year; and

WHEREAS, she has also been a valued member of the Academic Team for four years, has had perfect attendance for four years and has participated in the Cumberland Equity

Program at Tennessee Tech for four years; and

WHEREAS, Rebecca has also been honored with two very prestigious recognitions, being chosen a recipient of the Rotary Youth Leadership Award and being named a Tennessee Heritage Governor's School Scholar; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievement is a great source of pride for her parents, Robert and Claudette Baker, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Rebecca will attend either Middle Tennessee State University or Tennessee
Tech this fall; and

WHEREAS, Rebecca Baker's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL

ASSEMBLY, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we honor and congratulate Rebecca Baker on being the 1997 Salutatorian at Gordonsville High School and wish her well in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation, with this final resolving clause deleted.

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